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Lance R. LeFleur, Director Alabama Department of Environmental Management P.O. Box 301463 Montgomery, Alabama 36130-1463

Re: Acknowledgment of Receipt of Administrative Correspondence

Dear Mr. LeFleur:

This letter is to notify you that the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Office of Civil Rights (OCR), received correspondence on February 3, 2016, involving the Alabama Department of Environmental Management (ADEM).

The OCR is responsible for processing and resolving complaints alleging discrimination by programs or activities that receive financial assistance from the EPA. OCR will review the correspondence in light of EPA's nondiscrimination regulation to determine whether it is a complaint that falls within OCR's jurisdiction. Once this jurisdictional review is completed, the OCR will notify you as to whether it will accept the complaint for investigation or reject, or refer the complaint to another Federal agency.

In the interim, if you have any questions about the status of this correspondence, please contact Samuel Peterson by telephone at (202) 564-5393 or peterson.samuel@epa.gov.

Sincerely

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